

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 9997.37USWO
TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5) Unknown 10/009126
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP00/04414	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 5 May 2000	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 7 May 1999
TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD FOR ANTICIPATING, DELAYING AND/OR PREVENTING THE RISK OF SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION AND/OR EXPLOSION OF AN EXPLOSIVE ATMOSPHERE		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Bertrand DES CLERS		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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Items 11. to 16. below concern document(s) or information included:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, Form 1449, 4 references, Form PCT/ISA/210. 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment with attached Form PCT/IPEA/409 in French. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: 		

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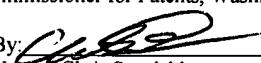
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- English translation of National Stage PCT Patent Application: Spec. 11 pgs; 6 claims; Abstract 1 pgs.
The fee has been calculated as shown below in the 'Claims as Filed' table.
- Three sheets of formal drawings
- Small entity status is claimed pursuant to 37 CFR 1.27
- A signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- A check in the amount of \$445.00 to cover the Filing Fee
- Other: Form PTO-1390, Preliminary Amendment, Form PCT/IPEA/409 in French with English translated annexes attached, courtesy copy of PCT/EP00/04414, Information Disclosure Statement, Form 1449, 4 references, Form PCT/ISA/210
- Return postcard

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Number of Claims Filed	In Excess of:	Number Extra	Rate	Fee
Basic Filing Fee				\$445.00
Total Claims:				
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Independent Claims				
1	- 3	= 0	x 42.00 =	\$0.00
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